Testimony from Charles C. Strange

Dear Sirs,

I am writing in to provide a source of discussion and make mention a few things that proposal $\rm HB4161$ fails to take into account and fails to provide for as it is presently structured before you.

While many seem to focus wholely on Item g, and its attempts to circumvent ones right to be proven, via genetic testing, to be a father rather than being named a father because some hospital pressures you into signing a form, or some case worker or judge tells you to sign it. I choose to focus elsewhere.

If these were your very own children involved in this situation, I am very certain that this bill would not even here today unless its sole intent is the goal of generating an increase in federal funding or a supposed reduction of cost due to eliminating the "need for DNA tests" Which ever the case may be This bill is 100% strictly biased toward one gender of the human race and does not provide adequate initiative to allow a continued relationship between a child and both of the parents.

The current wording of this proposal assumes that all fathers are abusive, neglectful, or flat out unfit, which is a gross misrepresentation of any facts. The early parts of this bill provide what is already the normal procedure, and has been for 30 some years... We are just now having this proposal?

Additionally I think the funds that are being wasted debating this bill could be better used to put into place a procedure and legislation that would truly benefit the children ahead of one gender which I need not specify. In addition the child and family as a single or double unit, should benefit long long before the state or local government does.

Please when you are thinking, see these children as the innocent children they are rather than the calculations that most of you presently do. These are human beings, not statistics, and definately not dollar signs to go yet again into the general fund.

Respectfully Submitted

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